

SURPRISED BY THE CHOICE

Even the Columbia's Friends Had Expected Further Recession

The Challenge Committee's Selection a Bitter Disappointment to the Constitution's Adherents—
Clear Ahead the Political Fight

NEWPORT, R. I., Sept. 5.—The Columbia has been chosen to defend the America's Cup and will sail against the Shamrock II in the series of races which will begin off Sandy Hook on Saturday, September 21.

the cup. After the race on Wednesday, when the Constitution showed that she was getting back to her old form, the members informally talked the matter over until late at night, and then it was

who have been watching the two yachts that the committee would decide that at least two more races were necessary, and that the Constitution and Columbia should sail again on Friday and Saturday. This, it was thought, would be only fair to the Constitution. The committee met

son Kane, ex-Commodore E. M. Brown, J. Malcolm Forbes, C. Oliver Iselin, and Archibald Rogers. The only absentee

Then the committee, having heard all they wanted from the representatives of the two yachts, held a meeting, which was very brief, and when it was over Mr.

“At a meeting of the committee on the challenge of the Royal Ulster Yacht Club, held on the flagship at 11.30 a.

everyone. Even those who had thought the Columbia was the better boat did not expect anything like this, and thought that while there was time more races should be sailed. The peculiar part of

the best out in moderate weather, and therefore should have been selected, as moderate weather is to be expected at the end of September.

As soon as the committee adjourned several members hurried out of town.

Morris it would have been hard to find anywhere. Not a man among them expected any such selection. The boat has been in hard luck since she was launched, but even with the hard luck she has beaten the Columbia by much more than

Our trouble has been with our sails all the season," he said. "It is very hard to get sails to fit these big yachts. We were doing fairly well with a sail that we all thought was not good enough and won several races with it. A new sail will be broader and more ready, which it was."

But we did not, was bent on. And it was the fault of the sail is proved by the showing the yacht made in yesterday's race. After being bothered very much by the Columbia and having various kinds of hard luck, the Constitution outsailed the Columbia and showed that she was

although the Constitution and Declaration of Independence are in favor of the Constitution. It is very disappointing to all of us, but the challenge committee has chosen the yacht. They think the better of the two, and of course we are all supporting that boat.

Mr. Morgan, when seen in the afternoon and asked about his plans, said: "I regret very much that the Columbia has been selected to defend the cup. I would much rather have seen the Constitution win out, and think it would have

showed, and the Constitution was badly handicapped from the start in many ways. I still think that the Constitution, when fit, will beat the Columbia handsomely."

The monotony of Mrs. Lola Ida Hemry Bonine's stay in the District jail, awaiting trial on a charge of having murdered James Seymour Ayers in a room at the Kenmore Hotel, was broken yesterday by

of the Bonine boys. They reached the jail about 11:30 o'clock and were at once ushered into the room of the matron of the jail, where Mrs. Bonine awaited their coming.

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